

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/865,802

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 5/15/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-2,5-7,1-11,14-16,19,22-24,28-32 [re-numbered as: 1-19].
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date 5/15/06
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-2,5-7,10-11,14-16,19,22-24,28-32 are allowed
2. Examiner acknowledges applicant's response filed on 5/15/2006.
3. Examiner acknowledges "terminal disclaimer" filed on 15 May 2006.
4. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 11/2/2005 has been entered, non-final office action was mailed on 12/12/2005.
5. Claims 1,10 are amended [11/2/05].
6. Claims 31-32 have been added [11/2/05]
7. Claims 1,10 have been amended [5/31/2005].
8. Claims 20-21,25-27 have been cancelled [5/31/2005].
9. Claims 1 and 10 have been amended [9/23/2004].
10. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 9/23/2004 has been entered.

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11. Examiner acknowledges applicants amendment filed on 5/3/2004, paper no.10.
12. In view of applicant's submission of terminal disclaimer, paper no. # 12-13, the Double Patent rejection set forth in the previous office action, paper no. # 8 is hereby withdrawn.
13. Examiner acknowledges applicant's "***Oath/Declaration***", filed on 5/3/2004.
14. Claims 3-4,8-9,12-13,17-18 have been cancelled, paper no. # 10.
15. Claims 19-30 have been added, paper no. # 10.
16. Examiner acknowledges applicants preliminary amendment filed on 9/26/2001, paper no. # 4

Drawings

17. The drawings filed on 5/24/2001 are acceptable for examination purpose.

Information Disclosure Statement

18. The information disclosure statement filed on 5/15/2006 is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97, and has been considered, and a copy is enclosed with this Office Action
19. The information disclosure statement filed on 11/2/2005 is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97, and has been considered, and a copy is enclosed with this Office Action

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20. The information disclosure statement filed on May 31, 2005, June 16, 2005, and Jan 28 2005 is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97, and has been considered, and a copy was enclosed with previous Office Action

21. The information disclosure statement filed on 9/23/2004 is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97, and has been considered, and a copy was enclosed with previous Office Action

22. The information disclosure statement filed on 9/26/2001, 10/9/2003, paper no. # 11 has been considered and a copy was enclosed with this office action, paper no. # 14.

23. The information disclosure statement filed on 5/3/2004, paper no. # 6-7 has been considered and a copy was enclosed with this office action, paper no. # 8.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Pursuant to MPEP 606.01 the Title is changed to read:

**-- A PROSPECTS HARVESTER SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING CONTACT DATA
ABOUT CUSTOMERS OF PRODUCT OR SERVICE OFFERED BY BUSINESS
ENTERPRISE EXTRACTING TEXT DOCUMENTS SELECTED FROM
NEWSGROUPS, DISCUSSION FORUMS, MAILING LISTS, QUERYING SUCH DATA
TO PROVIDE CUSTOMERS WHO CONFIRM TO BUSINESS PROFILE DATA--**

Allowable Subject Matter

Reasons for indicating allowable subject matter

The present application has been thoroughly reviewed, upon searching a variety of databases, the examiner submits that claims 1-2,5-7,10-11,14-16,19,22-24,28-32 are allowable in light of the applicant's arguments at page 9-17 in the response filed on 5/15/2006, and in light of the prior art made of record.

The newly cited art Whelan D et al. WO 2005/111783 published on 24 November 2005, is directed to enterprise content management, more specifically enterprise content management related to various enterprise content management systems, further content management system is metadata information about particular item of data for example document file with related attributes. The content management system users can locate desired information by searching relevant attributes or keywords from the metadata database [page 2, line 19-30,page 11, line 17-26], further Whelan D et al. disclosed the content management system provides services to create, search, find, sort and manage all documents and information related to specific customer [page 15, line 15-23].

The newly cited art *Simon Fong et al. "Mining Online Users' Access records for web business Intelligence" IEEE 2002, Data Mining, ICDM*, directed to mining online users access records for web business intelligence, particularly, users to register their profiles in order to access web resources on websites, also access information is


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maintained data mining such that business intelligence about user's behaviors, preferences and popularities of the resources or products on the website can be gained. The web business intelligence is to targeting the business areas of decision support and personalized service [see Abstract, Introduction].

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Srirama Channavajjala whose telephone number is 571-272-4108. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM Eastern Time.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Alam, Hosain, T, can be reached on (571) 272-3978. The fax phone numbers for the organization where the application or proceeding is assigned is 571/273-8300 Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free)

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